

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

ARRAIGNMENT MINUTES

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

COURT MINUTES - CRIMINAL

BEFORE: JOHN F. DOCHERTY

U.S. Magistrate Judge

v.

Kassius Orlando Benson,

Defendant.

Case No: 23-cr-36 (JRT/JFD)

Date: March 14, 2023

Courthouse: St. Paul

Courtroom: 6A

Time Commenced: 3:14 p.m.

Time Concluded: 3:23 p.m.

Time in Court: 9 minutes

APPEARANCES:

Plaintiff: Christopher Lin/Matthew J. Kluge, DOJ Tax Division

Defendant: Kassius Benson (self-representation for purposes of this hearing)

X Kassius Benson appeared without counsel at today's hearing. Mr. Benson explained to the court the process to obtain counsel is still ongoing.

X The Judge directed Mr. Benson to obtain counsel by the arraignment hearing that has been continued to Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. in St. Paul CR 6A before Magistrate Judge John F. Docherty.

If Mr. Benson does not have retained counsel by that date, Judge Docherty will conduct a financial inquiry of Mr. Benson. Depending on the results of that inquiry, Judge Docherty may appoint the Office of the Federal Defender to represent Mr. Benson.

Signature of Courtroom Deputy *s/nah*